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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Mary A. Gade, Director  
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
2200 Churchill Road  
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Honorable Charles E. Box  
Mayor of Rockford  
425 E. State Street  
6th Floor  
Rockford, Illinois 61104

Dear Ms. Gade and Mayor Box:

As you are aware, in November of 1991, we had a press availability session in Rockford to announce the connection of 264 additional homes to City water. This action provided safe drinking water to residents affected by the Southeast Rockford Ground Water Contamination Superfund site. At that time, we had also put into position but not yet connected the granular activated carbon vessels at Municipal Well 35 which will provide the needed water to the homes we connected.

Since November of 1991, we have completed the remaining work for this project, and on December 21, 1992, USEPA signed the Remedial Action Report for this project, signifying the end of the Operable Unit. Staff from both your offices reviewed a draft of this report. Pursuant to the Superfund State Contract, I am providing you notice that USEPA has accepted the completed Operable Unit.

We are extremely pleased with the speed and diligence with which this project was implemented, and are grateful for the assistance we have received from the staff of the IEPA and the City of Rockford. The high level of intergovernmental cooperation we experienced on this project has set a new standard of achievement for us to emulate in the future.

We look forward to continued cooperation as we move forward with other phases of the Superfund investigation and cleanup at this site.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ original signed by  
Valdas V. Adamkus

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Regional Administrator